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Novel Metabolic Pathways

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated April 15, 1998, be extended for a period of 3 month(s) from July 15, 1998 up to and including October 15, 1998.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$475.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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